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SUBJ: RHODESIA: STATUS OF PF AT OAU MEETING

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1. BECAUSE CONTROLLED MESSAGES FOR BANJUL COME VIA WEEKLY POUCH FROM DAKAR, REF A ONLY RECEIVED HERE JULY 13. HAD MESSAGE ARRIVED JULY 6, AS IT DID IN DAKAR, IT WOULD STILL HAVE MISSED MINISTER EXTERNAL AFFAIRS JABANG AND TOP TWO MEA OFFICIALS WHO DEPARTED BANJUL JULY 5 FOR KHARTOUM. PARALLEL INSTRUCTION TO UK HICOM BANJUL ALSO ARRIVED TOO LATE. ACTING HICOM ASKED BRITISH EMBASSY KHARTOUM TO MAKE SUGGESTED APPROACH TO GAMBIANS (WE DO NOT KNOW IF INDEED THIS REQUEST WAS CARRIED OUT).

2. PER REF B, CHARGE HELD DISCUSSION WITH PERM SEC MEA TAAL, JUNE 21 LARGELY DEVOTED TO RHODESIA. GAMBIANS HAVE BEEN CONSISTENTLY SUPPORTIVE ANGLO-US PROPOSALS ON RHODESIA. MOREOVER, WHILE GOTG RECOGNIZES PF AS ZIMBABWE LIBERATION MOVEMENT, IT HAS ALWAYS MAINTAINED THAT EVENTUAL POLITICAL CONFIDENTIAL

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